### WASHINGTON'S HOPE FOR 1910 LIMITED TO SEVENTH PLACE

St. Louis Only Team Nationals Can Reasonably Expect to Beat-Sudden Strengthening of Boston and Athletics Upset All Predictions-Cantillon's

Answer to Johnson Is Full of Meat.

By THOMAS S. RICE.

ered team finished the season with a ional League critics consider the big-est joke that has ever been in that hen, porder, that the .276 is just 165 ear and forty-nine points less than it aplish results. Verily, a fan with in his own estimation by indulging in outbursts of profanity, is glad the sea kidding Jeffries about entering the ring speculate on the probable winner in the bowling leagues.

Think you are pretty smart in con stantly complaining that Washington never had a baseball winner, don't you? Well, guess again and go back in your cage. The Washington Times has won the undisputed baseball championship of the Munsey newspapers. It clinched the pennant yesterday by beating the Philadelphia Times in Baltimore by 8

Having bemoaned for many weeks the parlous state of our American League team for 1909, let us look into the future and see what signs there are for 1910.
There is mighty little hope. Put that
in your pipe and smoke it. The great
chance for Washington to bulge to the

#### MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Yesterday's Results.

iladelphia, 6; Washington, 5. hiladelphia, 7; Washington, 2. New York, 6; Boston, 5. Boston, 6; New York, 1. Detroit, 6; Chicago, 5. (Called.

#### Games Today.

Detroit at Chicago. Cleveland at St. Louis

#### Standing of the Clubs.

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Detroit	. 97	54	26
Philadelphia	. 95	58	.6
Boston	. 89	63	.5
Chicago	. 78	73	5
New York	. 74	77	- 4
Cleveland	. 70	SI	.4
St. Louis	. 60	88	.4
Washington	. 42	110	.2
Cleveland	. 70 . 60	81 88	.4

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE.

#### Yesterday's Results.

#### Games Today.

Pittsburg at Chicago. St. Louis at Cincinnati.

#### Standing of the Clubs.

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Pittsburg	107	41	.723
Chicago	100	47	.681
New York		59	.601
Cincinnati	76	73	.510
Philadelphia	72	76	.487
St. Louis	52	94	.357
Brooklyn	52	95	.354
Boston	42	105	286

anticipated. Cleveland is going badly, but has a bunch of hitters and an excellent nucleus for a good team—a much better nucleus for a good team—a much better nucleus in some respects than Washington. It is not conceivable that Charley Comiskey will not brace up the White Sox, and, with his splendid staff of twirlers, and Billy Sullivan behind the bat, Chicago looks good for the first division again. Detroit may slump but will not hit the bottom. The only club which is not on the way to improvement instead of deterioration is St. Lotis. The veterans there are going back, and the youngsters McAleer spent good money in buying or drafting certainly did not conduct themselves like world-beaters when in the Capital on their last trip. In fact, the whole team looked weak and wobbly. Washington may beat out St. Louis. That is the conclusion of the whole matter—and it is not the bellow of a dyspeptic, but the forced conviction of a fan who has writer's cramp in the arm and the head explaining 110 defeats in one season, and whose doctor has recommended a change of subject.

e her, is food for Johnson's reflections when he is hurling charges of ulterior motives among the managers of American League clubs. Also, since Cantillon has officially come out into the open in his charges of signal tipping against the New York club it is up to Johnson to get busy at once with the Johnson to get busy at once with the investigation he has promised.

The Mike Kelley case was extremely far fetched on Johnson's part, and was in nowise as culpable a bit of underhand work as Johnson's own efforts to force through the National Commission a secret meeting and verdiet on the appeal of Jake Stahl to be allowed to sign where he pleased the year Cantillon first came to Washington. There was really nothing against Kelley, and the American Association repudiated, the action on which Johnson alleged he barred that player, but Johnson was nailed with the goods on when he tried to slip over that Stahl trick, and only a casual telegram from Garry Herrmann to Presiden. Tom Noyes revealed it. As far as baiting umpires is concurred. Cantillon has been astonishingly free from outbreaks of that sort, considering the man. In fact, when two of the Washington players were put out of the game on the last trip to Cleveland, Cantillon took the matter quietly and Johnson had to admit the next day lat the umpire was wrong and restore.

If it comes to muckraking between the pair and digging up ancient history in regard to persuading players to jump and invading territory, Johnson is going to come off a bad second from a moral standpoint, for he is trying to pose in the light of a virtuous protector of a league built entirely on those tactics, while Cantillon is not posing at all, and does not mind spreading abroad his own share in the proceedings. Johnson has bitten off a nunk of troubles and the end is not yet.

Here's the final moan from Cantillon's management—two defeats in Philadelphia yesterday to end the season.

The Score.

## The Score. FIRST GAME.

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deaf and dumb manager next?

As a ready letter writer Joe Cantillon has always been somewhat of a wonder. He has the knack of expressing his ideas with great force on paper and he is extremely dangerous to argue with this fussing with the future is the life fow the game can help doing it. Wherefore, we inquite of the stars what the force, we inquite of the stars what the proposects are for Washington next year, and each answers "Seventh place, if you are lucky."

Boston has a team that is a serious proposition for the 1310 rag. The Athletics are young and husky, and should be up in the race next year. New York played 50 per cent better ball than was deaf and dumb manager next?

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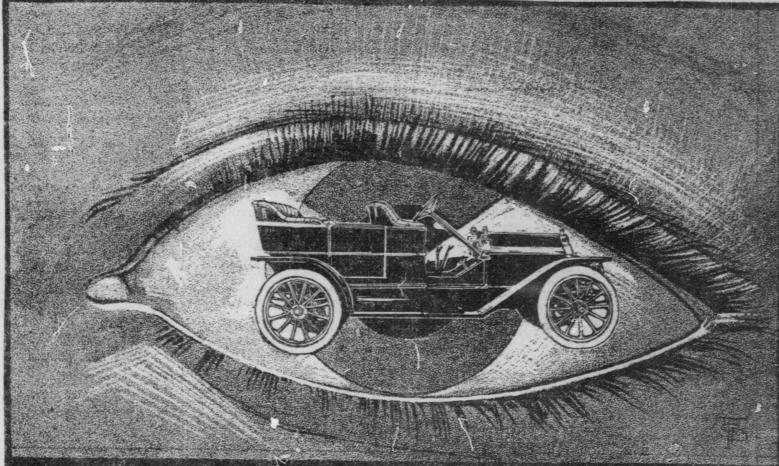
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Washington nother year. For instance, his citation of the fact that Stallings, manager of the New York American, is owner of an Eastern League Joined hands with the American Association last year in attacking the major leagues on one side and the minor leagues on the side and t



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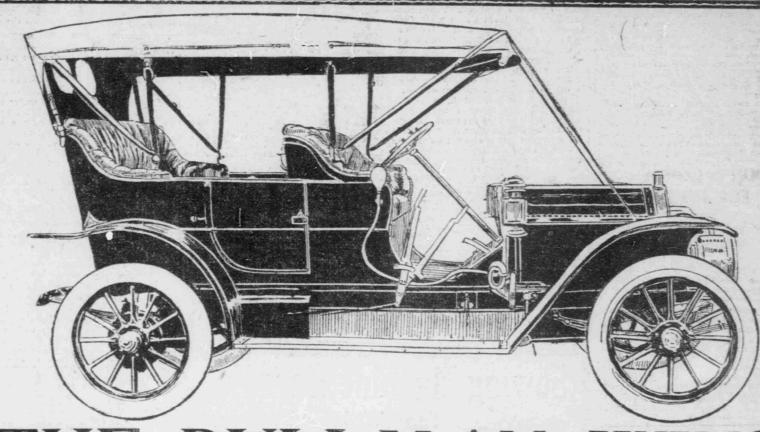
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